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PEOPLE MAY FORGET

By Carlisle Morrison, *N. S. C. Sophomore Student*

I wonder why hours are spent in hanging holly and mistletoe,
In getting a tree perfectly straight in the corner of the living room,
In walking cold December streets after working all day.

I wonder why a million ovens are busy,
And a million houses smell so good,
And why money that took all year to save is suddenly spent.

I wonder why little girls are suddenly very kittenish,
And little brothers suddenly little angels.
I wonder why Daddy is smiling all the time!

Because it's Christmas!
Because one day long ago,
In a place far away,
A little boy was born and grew up such a man
That people wanted to remember Him.
So they said, "Let's have a holiday on the day He was born.
Let's take off from work and rest and relax
And think about Him."

But people may forget over the years,
As they do now and then when invited to a party.
The food and drinks are plentiful,
And they have such a good time
That they may forget all about the guest of honor;
They may forget to pay their respects.

And if this happens I suppose He feels a little hurt.
It is rather bad to be left out of one's own Birthday Party.

To Our Alumni:

MERRY CHRISTMAS in the name of the entire campus family of your Alma Mater! In the here and now, we have many reasons to be grateful, and much incentive to work for an ever-better future.

Christmas has long symbolized the very best of the highest hopes of mankind. Within the framework of the religious inspiration everywhere prevalent at this season, may we earnestly ask ourselves wherein we may intensify our effort to educate both the head and the heart.

We are vividly aware that this is the time for all that is finest in families. May you and your children experience the fullest measure of the supreme pleasure that flows from mutual devotion. May your sense of feeling for family include your College.

Sincerely,

JOHN S. KYSER
President

UNDEFEATED ROTC RIFLE TEAM

Photo by Hennigan

Members of the R. O. T. C. Rifle Team are, bottom row, left to right: Thomas Cheek, Many; L. C. Cathey, Shreveport; David Jarrett, Shreveport; Buddy Hyams, Natchitaches; Peyton Crawford, Shreveport; and John Britt, Leesville. Top row: Jerry Varnada, Alexandria; Eddie L. McWilliams, Rabeline; Kenneth McDaniels, Natchitaches; Wayne Gates, Shreveport; Billy St. Andre, Natchitaches, and Mike Hyams, Natchitaches. Jerry Canerly, Leesville, Captain of the team, was not present for the picture.

The R. O. T. C. Rifle Team of Northwestern State College has established an enviable record during the present year. They remain undefeated after engaging in matches (mail and shoulder-to-shoulder) with Prairie View, Texas, Allen Military Academy of Texas, McNeese, Centenary, Louisiana State University, Northeast, Louisiana Tech, and Loyola of Louisiana.

To add to these laurels, the team has just returned from Ft. Hood, where they fired, shoulder to shoulder, with all Louisiana Conference representatives of the 4th Army. This conference included the Louisiana schools listed above with the addition of Tulane University and Southern University. In this contest, the N. S. C. Rifle Team won first place with a score of 3611 out of a possible 4000.

Two members of the team won first and second places in the contest with scores of 387 and 382 out of a possible 400 each. Ten men from each team must fire in the contest. The two high-score men were Kenneth McDaniels and Thomas Cheek. Sgt. Raymond S. Port is the instructor for the rifle team.

FRONT PAGE COVER

Pictured as Miss Merry Christmas, lighting a huge firecracker symbolic of the pyrotechnic display opening the "Natchitaches Christmas Festival," is Miss Leah Starey, freshman student from Manterey.

Photo by Gullet

ALUMNI HERE 'N THERE

PERRY ELECTED TO NEW SCHOOL POST

C. L. Perry, assistant superintendent, was recently elected by the Caddo Parish School Board to fill a newly-created position of first assistant school superintendent. Perry's duties since he assumed the assistant's post in 1948 has been that of business manager. In the past there has been no ranking of the assistant superintendents.

In his new position as first assistant superintendent Perry will be authorized to act for the superintendent during his absence from the parish, and to act for him in certain designated functions.

Perry and his wife, the former Corrie Smith, were students at the College. They reside at 2060 River Road.

Joining the Caddo Parish School system in 1931, Perry served as teacher and principal at Rodessa and Vivian prior to 1948, at which time he became an assistant superintendent.

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AT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Marvin R. Jones, B.S. '56, who has been teaching industrial arts at the Oakdale High School for the past two years, has accepted a position as instructor in the Northeast Louisiana Vocational School at Winnsboro. He is living at 408 Macon Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Stuchlik are now residing at 504 23rd Street, Nederland, Texas. Mr. Stuchlik, B.S. '57, of Kolin, is still employed by the Gulf Oil Corporation in Port Arthur, and Mrs. Stuchlik, the former LaNell Hines, B.S. '56, of Centerpoint, is teaching in the Nederland High School.

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Mr. Bob Wilson, B.S. '56, of 1306 Albert Street, Alexandria, was recently transferred from the Tennessee Gas Transmission Station 10, at Natchitoches, to the gas measurement department of the same company at Houma. Before his employment with T. G. T. Bob spent two years as an officer in the U. S. Army in Europe.

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A letter from Mrs. Joyce LaBorde, 3-Year Nursing, 1951, of 16A Campbell Road, Fort Campbell, Kentucky, states: "I enjoyed my Columns so much in Germany that they were worn threadbare when I finished with them."

Mrs. McDonald is employed as a nurse at Clarksville (Tennessee) Memorial Hospital. She and her husband, John R. McDonald of the Airborne Forces, have two daughters—Kathy Renee, 5, who was born at Fort Riley, Kansas, and Sharon Lynne, 3, born in Nurenburg, Germany. She would like to hear from former student nurses in Shreveport.

While in Germany, Mrs. McDonald was with Mrs. Thelma Ruth Stevens Childs. "We enjoyed the Columns together," she said.

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A recent note from Miss Lee

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CLASSMATES AGAIN AFTER 20 YEARS

U. S. Army photograph—Courtesy Natchitoches Times

For the first time since their college days at N. S. C., almost 20 years ago, these three U. S. Army officers are again classmates, this time at the world famous U. S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

They were students together in 1940 at the College and have been united again at the U. S. Army College. They are, from left to right, Lt. Colonel Poole Rogers (B.S. '40), son of Mrs. H. J. Rogers, 1205 Maple Street, Winnfield; Lt. Colonel Hampden J. Murrell (B.S. '50), son of Mrs. A. P. Murrell, 402 Riley Road, Austin, Texas; and Lt. Colonel Edward E. Jordan, (B.S., '59), son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward G. Jordan, Rabeline. Lt. Colonel Jordan was on leave from the service last spring to complete his degree.

BASKETBALL SEASON GETS UNDERWAY

Coach Huey Cranford and his Demon Basketball team have begun a strenuous 25-game schedule for the 1959-1960 season. In addition to the regular schedule, the Demons will participate in the Gulf South Classic in Shreveport during the Christmas holidays, which will mean an additional three games to be added to their contests.

The Demons opened the season with Nicholls State College, playing before their first home crowd on the N. S. C. court. In this game the Demons demonstrated they were working as a team without any particular star, with several members of the team scoring in the double digits.

Following the opening game, they embarked upon a rugged tour through Kentucky and Tennessee, meeting some of the outstanding small college teams in the nation. As we go to press, they are still on this tour.

The first team played on the tour was Murray State, and the Demons won that one by the score of 88-86, coming from behind in the second half. Two late field goals by Philip Haley and one by Jimmy Adkins gave the Demons the victory.

Four Demons scored in the two-digit columns, with Gene Wright leading the pack for a total of 28 points. He was followed by Weldon with 19, Haley 17, Skinner 14, Stewart 8, and Adkins 2.

The next team played was Western Kentucky's famous Hilltoppers, who are coached by Ed Diddle. Coach Diddle is in his 38th season at Western Kentucky, where his teams have won 693 games while losing only 245. With four of five regular starters from last season on his team, the Demons could not measure up either in height or shooting ability and went down to defeat to the tune of 89-60.

At Tennessee Tech, the Demons were edged out in a nip-and-tuck affair by the score of 81-82, bringing their season record to 2 wins and 2 losses. The game with Middle Tennessee State is to be played tonight. (Sorry we can't give you the score.)

After they return home, the Demons move over to Marshall, Texas, for a game with East Texas Baptist College, then meet Stephen F. Austin on the home court. Following a game at Louisiana College, the Demons meet David Lipscomb of Tennessee to wind up the pre-Christmas season.

Basketball experts have picked Louisiana Tech as the repeat champion in the Gulf States Conference, with Southwestern Louisiana Institute as the probable runner-up. Depending almost entirely upon sophomores and juniors, the Demons will have a good, well-balanced club, but are not predicted to have a championship caliber team unless there is developed some "dark horses," the potential of which may be in the group.

FOOTBALL TEAM LOSES LAST TWO

The Demons of Northwestern closed the football season with a record of four wins, five losses, and one tie when they dropped their last two scheduled games to Southwestern and Southeastern.

In the Southwestern game at Lafayette, the Bulldogs, playing before a homecoming crowd, completely dominated play in the first half, rolling up a 21-0 lead at half time. In the third quarter, the Demons came back with two touchdowns and two extra points to make their 14 points. The Bulldogs were still in there, however, and managed to make 13 points of their own in the second half to bring the final score to 34-14.

Against Southeastern, the Demons scored first and led for a while 7-0, but the Lions came back to make it 7-7. With the Demons adding six points to bring their total to 13, the Lions charged back for a second touchdown, followed by a two-point conversion, and took the lead 15-13. The Demons were unable to get into paydirt again, and thus ended the 1959 season.

The Demons will lose seven players by graduation this year. Included among the seniors are Dale Hoffpauir, Billy Booth, Bert Heckel, George Smith, Dean Smith, and Robert Powell, all of whom were stalwarts on the Demon team. Jerry Lott and Don Deen are also seniors, but because of injuries did not see as much service as the other seniors.

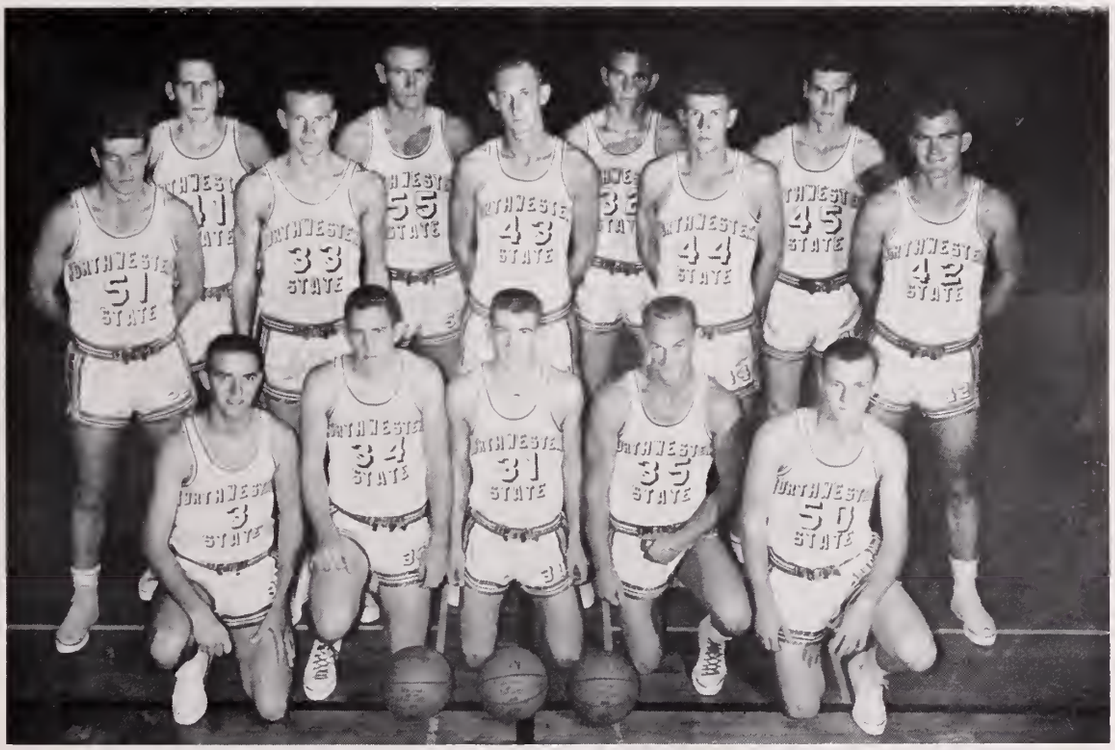
Other players on the squad who saw lots of action and turned in stellar performances were Larry Crowe, QB; Ralph Conrad, Jimmy Aldredge, Billy Calvert, and Lonnie Harper, halfbacks; Raymond Eddy, Robert Martin, J. M. Maricelli, and Charles Desadier, fullbacks; Claude Roberts, Edgar Johns, and Earl Phillips, centers; Jerry Didier, Gerald Yarbrough, and Dickie Mason, guards; Ferrell Yarbrough, Octave Bernard, and Jerry Fowler, tackles; and Johnnie Wall and Brooksie Gregg at end.

PROVINCE DIRECTOR

Mrs. Ruth Makor, B.A. '49, of Natchitoches, was recently appointed Province Director of the Louisiana-Mississippi District of Delta Zeta Sorority. She will have supervision of all college chapters of the sorority in the district, and will serve as a member of the National Council of Delta Zeta.

Mrs. Makor formerly served as College Chapter Director of Epsilon Beta Chapter at N. S. C. and on the Advisory Board.

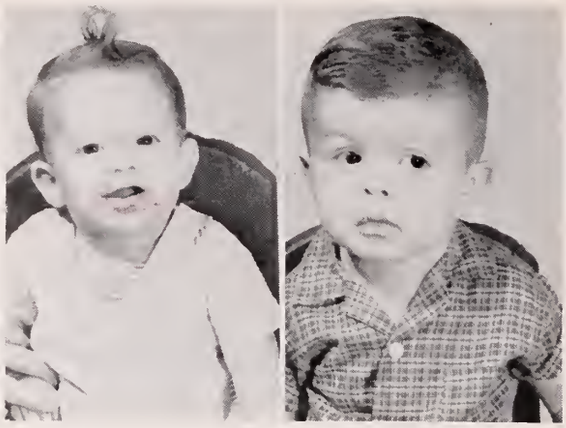
She is married to John Makor, B.S. '38, Natchitoches attorney, and they have three children, Jayme (a freshman at Oklahoma State University), Nancy, 9, and Charles, 5.



THE 1959-1960 BASKETBALL SQUAD is composed of the above 14 members. Reading from left to right, bottom row, are Buddy Jones, a junior transfer from Ruleville, Miss.; Larry Skinner, junior, of Belmont; Gene Wright, sophomore, Negreet; Ed Hunter, Junior, Coushatta; and Ronnie McNabb, freshman, Shreveport. Standing: Lavic Johnson, sophomore, Natchitoches; Richard Pullig, sophomore, Gibsland; Ken Moran, freshman, Natchitoches; Don Ootley, junior, Baton Rouge; Jimmie Adkins, senior, Gibsland; David Calaway, freshman, Cheneyville; William Stewart, senior, Doyline; Truitt Weldon, sophomore, Mt. Carmel (Florien); and Phillip Haley, junior, of Belmont.

All set in the "Holiday Mood" are Charles and Judy Jahnsan, 11 and 2½ years af age, respectively, children of Cal. and Mrs. Oris B. Jahnsan, USAF-RAF Exchange Pragram, Bax 30, U. S. Navy 100, FPO, New Yark, N. Y.

The Johnsans, Calonel Oris, B.S. '39, and Katherine Shaw, B.S. '42, have just left far England fram their statian in the Pentagon. Colanel Jahnsan will attend the Imperial Defense College, England's highest-ranking military schaal, during 1960.



Stephen Wayne, at eight manths, and Charles A. Jr., 2 years, 3 manths, are the two children af Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Tassin af Lacassine. Mr. Tassin, B.S. '55, and Mrs. Tassin (Anice Janes, ex-55, of Shrevepart) are both teaching in Jeffersan Davis Parish. They were recent visitars in the Alumni Office.

Lamar E. Ragers, Jr., pictured at the age af six manths, is the son af Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Ragers af Manrae. Mr. Ragers, B.S. '52, is a member af the faculty at Northeast State College. Mrs. Ragers is the farmer Bernadine Hendersan, ex-52.

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(Leontine) Engler, A.B. '34, A. P. O. 153, U. S. O. M., San Francisco, California, states that she is now with the United States Operations Mission to Cambodia, American Embassy, Phnom-Penh, Cambodia, in the Education Division.

Miss Engler worked with the U. S. Operations Mission in Haiti for four years prior to moving to Cambodia. She first joined the Operations Mission in 1954. Before going with her present employer, she taught at St. Gabriel for several years.

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Mrs. Juanita Williams Keller, Box 31, Bainbridge, Pennsylvania, B.A. '12, wrote the Alumni Office recently to give us a new address. We remember her as Miss Williams during the war when she was a member of the Marine Corps; she visited on the campus while on leave from her station.

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John S. Brewton, Jr., B.A. '54, is now Assistant Group Supervisor with the Washington National Insurance Company, Dallas, Texas. He is living at 11033 Cactus Lane, Dallas 18, Texas. He stated in his letter, "This makes about my seventh move since I graduated from Northwestern, and at last I hope I can settle down."

He also commented, "David Graham (B.S. '56) from Natchitoches is also working with our company and is establishing an enviable record. He was just recently selected as one of the production leaders to attend the dedication ceremonies of a new wing to our Home Office Building in Evanston. This will be a real vacation for him and his wife."

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A note from Mrs. Mark T. Lee, Jr., 314 Robalo, Ridgecrest, California, informs us of her late address. She added, "We have been receiving the Columns for two years and enjoy them very much as we can keep in touch with the college and friends."

Mr. Lee, B.S. '58, has been working at the Naval Ordnance Test Station at China Lake since graduation.

The Lees have three children—Johnny Michael, 3; Mary Marie, 2, and Kenneth Allan, four weeks of age.

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Mrs. Bill Hunt (Christine Sapp, ex-'46), 102 Gilbert Drive, West Monroe, writes to get her name on our mailing list. Since January, 1958, the Hunts have been in West Monroe, where he is associate Pastor of the First Baptist Church. They have two children, Judy, 9, and Carolyn, 16 months.

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Ty Sibley, 5436 Keele Street, Jackson, Mississippi, writes to get on the mailing list for the Alumni Columns. Both he and his wife are former students of the College. He is employed by the Shell Oil Company.

CUPID'S DOINGS

Olive Ann Smith (B.A. '57), and William Lawrence Willis were married on the evening of November 25, at 6:30 o'clock in the Baptist Church in Sikes, Louisiana.

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The Church of the Immaculate Conception in Natchitoches was the scene of the wedding Friday, November 27, of Terry Ann Maggio (B.S. '56), and Walter Clyde Janes.

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Marjorie Anne Graham (B.S. '58, in Nursing), and Harold Everette LaGrone were married in the Wynn Memorial Methodist Church in Shreveport, November 28. They are now at home at 1304 Glenn Street, Shreveport, Louisiana.

B I R T H S

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hardwick of Pollock (Dorothy Chandler, B.A. '58) announce the arrival of a son, Keith Russell, October 21, 1959. The young man weighed 7 lbs., 8 ozs.

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It's a boy, also, for Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Baker (Iris Colleen Woods, B.A. '44) of Alexandria, and he was born October 28. Timothy Charles is his name, and he weighed 7 lbs, 8 ozs.

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It's a girl for the Jeffie J. Horns (Annis Walker, B.S. nursing '59) of Alexandria. Martha Annis was born October 28, weighing 6 lbs., 8½ ozs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spence, Jr., of Springhill (Barbara Hicks, B.A. '53) announce the birth of Jeffrey Joy, November 19. She weighed 7 lbs., 14 ozs.

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The Jadwin V. Mayeaux family, of Tioga, are celebrating the arrival of Terri Lynne. She was born November 30, and weighed 8 lbs., 3 ozs. Mrs. Mayeaux is the former Olivia Wright (3-Year Nursing, '56); Mr. Mayeaux received his degree in January, '56.

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